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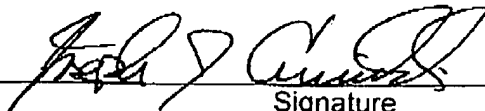
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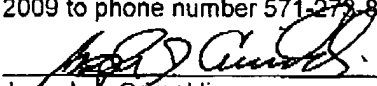
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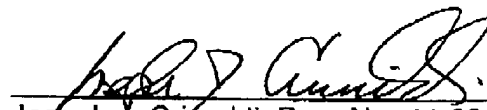
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Reply to Office Action Dated: September 25, 2008

As evidence of the various attempts to file the aforementioned response, the undersigned has attached hereto copies of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmissions showing partial receipts.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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